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TO: DIT Employees
FROM: Teri Takai
SUBJECT: Mentoring

In follow-up to Governor Granholm's recent letter about mentoring, I want to add my support and encouragement for becoming a mentor to a young person in your community.

My own personal experience as a mentor has made a big difference in my life. Personal attention by a caring adult – even if it's just lunch once a month – can mean so much to the self-esteem of another person. Lunch could be a great way to get started.

Many state employees have up to eight hours of school and community participation leave available for activities such as this. You can visit the Office of the State Employer Web site at <http://www.michigan.gov/ose> to learn more about your particular collective bargaining agreement.

I encourage each of you to consider becoming a mentor. For information about the Mentor Michigan program visit www.mentormichigan.org or call 1-800-VOLUNTEER.

Thank you for your consideration.